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COUNTRY East Germany SECURITY INFORMATION REPORT NO.

TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains at the Wittstock Railroad Station

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REMARKS

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Troop trains observed at the Wittstock railroad station between 13 and 16 October 1953 included:

13 October. At 5 p.m., a shipment of 15 T-34 tanks, 3 armored scout cars, including No 770; about half-track vehicles, 8 x 152-mm howitzers and about 15 motor vehicles, , leaving toward Pritzwalk. 25X1B

14 October. At 1:30 p.m., a shipment of 23 T-34 tanks, 25X1 6 trucks, 8 boxcars occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black caps, and 11 boxcars loaded with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse and proceeding toward Pritzwalk.

15 October. At 11:45 a.m., a shipment of 15 JS tanks, 8 trucks, 6 boxcars occupied by troops and 8 boxcars with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse and proceeding toward Pritzwalk. At 1 p.m., a shipment of 8 T-34 tanks, 5 trucks, 8 boxcars, and 10 boxcars with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse, and proceeding toward Pritzwalk.

16 October. At 11:45 a.m., a shipment of 5 T-34 tanks, about 10 motorcycles, about 12 trucks, 5 boxcars, and 10 boxcars with ammunition, coming from the direction of Dranse and proceeding toward Pritzwalk. 25X1B

2. About 25 motor vehicles loaded with equipment and furniture 25X1 25X1B

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were entrained at the Wittstock railroad station and left toward Pritzwalk at 2 p.m. on 14 October.

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
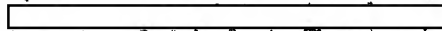
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 Comment. Another source, on 13 October, observed 6 shipments of the 18th Meoz Div, including units of the 2511th AAA Regt (US) and the 119th Gds Hv Tank SF Regt and/or the 33d Tank Regt (US); according to the shipments mentioned in the present report the return movement of the Division, probably to the post, continued until 16 October. Thus, a total of 12 shipments were observed between 13 and 16 October. According to weapons observed, the shipments included units of the 105th How Arty Regt from Ludwigslust and,  the tank battalion of the 59th Meoz Regt from Ludwigslust. These regiments can thus be confirmed until 13 and 14 October 1953 respectively.

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